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REMARKS

Applicants have submitted a "clean" version of the now-pending claims above.

Amendments to the claims are indicated in the section entitled "Version showing changes

made", which follows these remarks...

The claims have been amended to correct obvious typographical errors so that the

amended claims properly indicate from which claim each depends. Claim 32 has also been

amended for clarity. No new matter is presented due to this addition. Therefore, entry of

these claims is respectfully requested. On the basis of the amendments and remarks presented

herein, Applicants believe that this application is now in condition for immediate allowance.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner pass this application to issue, and an early

notice of such is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Version showing changes made

A retroviral vector comprising a fusion nucleic acid comprising:

- i) a promoter of interest;
- ii) a first reporter gene;
- iii) a nucleic acid encoding a 2a site; and
- iv) a second reporter gene.
- 30. (Amended) A vector according to claim † 29 wherein said promoter of interest is a constitutive promoter.
- 31. (Amended) A vector according to claim ± 29 wherein said promoter of interest is an inducible promoter.
- 32. (Amended) A vector according to claim $\frac{3}{2}$ wherein said <u>inducible</u> promoter of interest is the IL-4 inducible \in promoter.
- 33. (Amended) A vector according to claim † 29 wherein one of said reporter genes is a green fluorescent protein.
- 34. (Amended) A vector according to claim † 29 wherein one of said reporter genes is a death gene.
- 35. (Amended) A vector according to claim ± 29 wherein one of said reporter genes is a drug resistance gene.